

Town of Salem fire department Inspectional services Health Division 890-2050

Summer Beach Testing Results July 2023

On July 5 & 6, 2023, water samples from association and public beaches in Salem were collected and submitted for microbiological analysis to a NH accredited laboratory.

The samples were analyzed for bacteria, (E. coli), the indicator organism utilized to determine safe swimming conditions. At a freshwater beach, an **advisory** is posted if either **two** samples exceed the state standard of **88 counts** or when **one** sample exceeds **158 counts**.

Two samples were collected from each beach in accordance with the NH DES "Standard Operating Procedure for Bacteria Sampling". The following beach sites were sampled and the results are as follows:

Location:	<u>R</u>	esults:	
		July 6	July 5
Hedgehog Pond		26, 17	
Shadow Lake		18, 36	
Captain's Pond			
Camp Otter			38, 41
Camp Hadar			65, 77
Camp Y-Wood			- 11, 81
Millville Lake		- 80, 57	
Arlington Pond			
Arlington Pond Improvement Assoc		- 46, 68	
Second Street Beach		39, 30	
Griffin Beach		68, 54	

All of the beaches are in compliance with the guidelines established by the NH DES for safe swimmable waters at this time.

Additional testing will be conducted in early August. Any questions, please feel free to contact the Health Officer at 890-2050.